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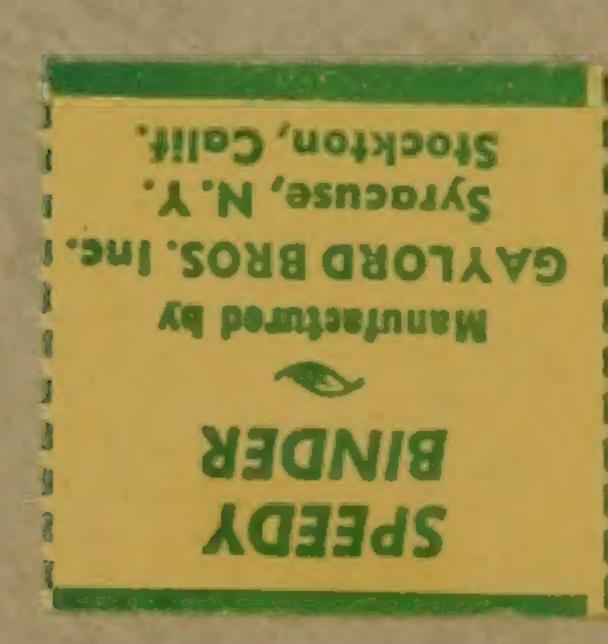
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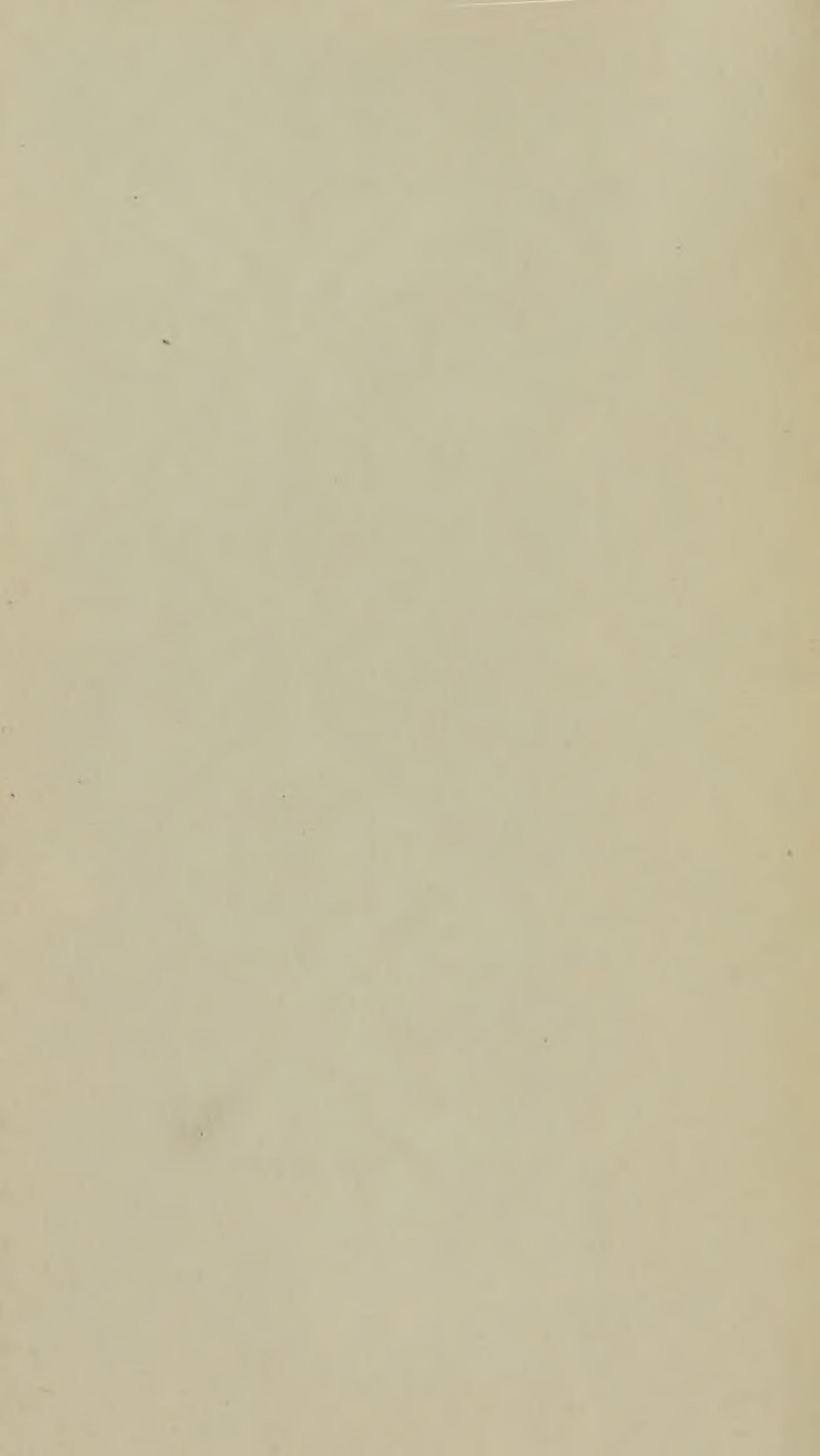


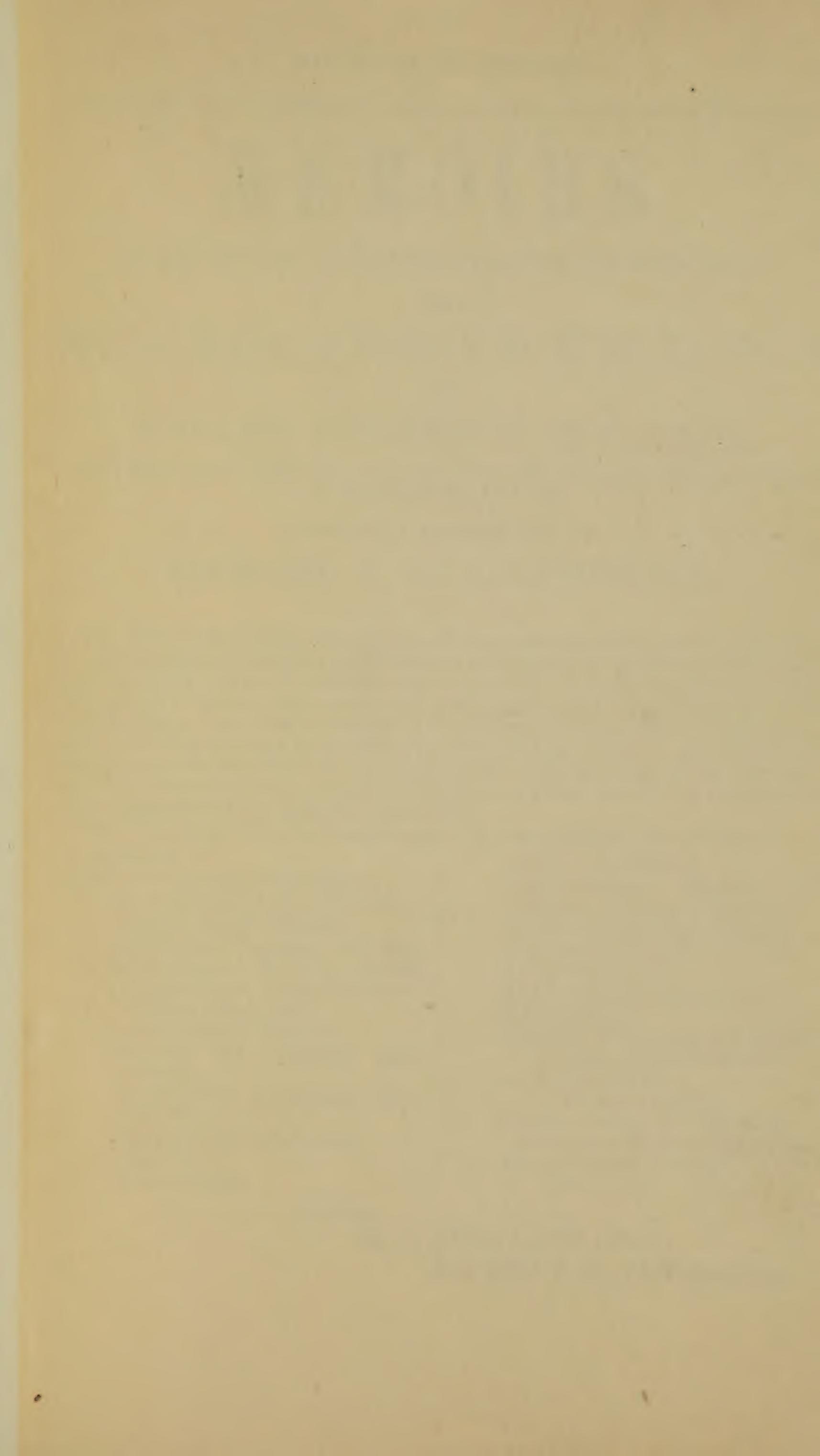
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PREFACE.

This little book, prepared at the request of the gentlemen composing the Committees of Arrangements of the American Medical Association, of the Medical Society of the State of Pennsylvania, and of the International Medical Congress, is for the use of our brethren during their short stay with us. It will serve, it is thought, as a convenient guide to such medical and other institutions as are likely to be of special interest.



HANDBOOK.

Philadelphia, now known as The Centennial City, is famed for her far-reaching charities, and in more than one way she may truly be called "the City of Homes." While her mechanics and laboring classes in great numbers own the houses in which they live, her citizens have wisely and liberally provided "homes" of an infinite variety for the sick, the destitute, the widow, the orphan,—in fact for the "homeless." Its hospitals are abundant, excellently located, and amply provided with all the requisites to carry forward the objects of their founders.

At present, but three medical schools are in operation in Philadelphia, the first is known as the

Medical Department of the University of Pennsylvania, located in West Philadelphia, on what is known as the Darby Road, or Woodland Avenue, at the corner of 36th Street. The new building was opened in October, 1874. It contains the Horner and Wistar Museum, and cabinets of wet and dry preparations for the illustration of each course of lectures.

A valuable medical library has been founded by the Professor of the Theory and Practice of Medicine, and now contains some 3000 volumes. Near to this building is the

Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania, which will now accommodate 150 patients.

These buildings are reached by the Darby branch of the Walnut Street Passenger R. R. Co.

The Jefferson Medical College is located on Tenth Street, between Chestnut and Walnut Streets. It contains a large and valuable Museum, to which additions are being constantly made, in order that the lectures may be fully illustrated. Ground has been purchased to the north and west of the present building for the erection of a hospital building. The work is in rapid progress, and is expected to be ready for the reception of patients early in the summer.

The Woman's Medical College is at the N. W. corner of North College Avenue and 21st Street. It is solely for the education of women in medicine. It has a hospital attached, which affords clinical teaching for its students. It is reached by the Ridge Avenue R. W. cars.

The College of Physicians, whose building is at the N. E. corner of 13th and Locust Streets, is an association of physicians for the advancement of medical science. This hall was built in 1863, is regarded as fire-proof, and contains a valuable pathological museum. The library embraces about 20,000 volumes. On its tables are found nearly all the medical journals of the world.

In this hall are held the meetings of the Philadelphia County Medical Society; the Obstetrical Society; the Pathological Society; and the Ophthalmological Society.

The Philadelphia College of Pharmacy, 145 N. 10th Street, was incorporated in 1822. This school is for the

training of apothecaries, and lectures are delivered on chemistry, pharmacy, and materia medica.

The Philadelphia Dental College is located at 108 N. 10th Street, the northwest corner of Tenth and Arch Sts. It was chartered in 1863.

The Pennsylvania College of Dental Surgery is located at the southeast corner of Tenth and Arch Sts. It was chartered in 1852. Both these schools confer the degree of Doctor of Dental Surgery.

The Polytechnic College is situated on Market, west of 17th Street, south side. It has a school of analytical and applied chemistry.

HOSPITALS.

The Pennsylvania Hospital occupies the entire block from 8th to 9th and from Pine to Spruce Streets. The entrance is on 8th Street. It was chartered in 1751. It will accommodate 220 patients. Its library contains about 14,000 volumes.

The Pennsylvania Hospital for the Insane is a department of the above, and is situated between the West Chester and Haverford Roads, west of 42d Street. It has one building for males, and one for females.

The Market Street cars run to these buildings.

The Episcopal Hospital is on the corner of Front and Huntingdon Streets, or 2649 N. Front Street. It has 125 beds.

It is reached by the Fifth Street passenger cars.

The Philadelphia Hospital is on the Darby Road below Walnut Street, West Philadelphia. It is a department of the city almshouse. It has a separate insane department.

It is reached by the Darby branch of the Walnut Street passenger cars.

The Municipal Hospital is on Hart Lane near 21st Street. It is devoted to the reception of cases of contagious disease. It has about 190 beds.

The German Hospital is at the S. W. corner of Girard and Corinthian Avenues. Incorporated 1860. Opened 1866. It will accommodate about 100 patients. To visit this hospital, take a car going north, and exchange at Girard Avenue going west, which will pass the building.

The Jewish Hospital is on Olney Road, Near York Pike. Number of beds, 50.

Reached by the North Pennsylvania R. R.; stop at Tabor Station, then walk two blocks west.

St. Joseph's Hospital is at the corner of 17th and Girard Avenue. It has 150 beds.

Reached by the 16th or 19th Street cars.

The Presbyterian Hospital is at 39th and Powelton Avenue, West Philadelphia. It has 72 beds.

Reached by the Market Street cars. In each of these Hospitals, cases of recent accidents are received.

The Wills Eye Hospital, on Race Street, west of 18th, south side. Limited, as its name indicates, to diseases of the eye. It has 40 beds, and two pavilion wards each 20 beds. Reached by the 18th or 19th Street cars.

The Preston Retreat is on Hamilton Street, between 20th and 21st Streets. This is solely for obstetric cases. It has 20 beds.

Take 19th Street cars, and walk one block west.

Friends Asylum for the Insane, at Frankford. Founded 1811. Can accommodate 100 patients.

Reached by Frankford branch of 5th Street line.

The State Hospital for Women and Infants is at 1718 Filbert (first Street above Market). Incorporated 1873.

The object of the Hospital, as set forth in its charter, is "the care, nurture, and maintenance of destitute women, married or single, during childbirth, or whilst suffering from diseases peculiar to their sex; of children born of their bodies, either whilst in the care of the corporation or surrendered to it after birth; the providing for the temporal and spiritual welfare of such women and children either within or outside of the Institution, as well as the care and boarding of women and children for compensation."

Orthopædic Hospital and Infirmary for Nervous Diseases is at the N. W. corner of 17th and Summer Streets. The diseases treated are: all forms of bodily deformity, such as club-foot, joint diseases, and spinal distor-

tions; and all nervous maladies, such as paralysis, chorea, epilepsy, and neuralgia. It has 30 beds. Incorporated 1867.

(Summer Street is between Race and Vine Streets.)

The Children's Hospital is on 22d Street above Locust. Founded in 1855. Children under twelve years of age, and over two years, suffering from non-contagious disease, or from injury, are admitted on application to the attending physicians, who visit the hospital daily at 12 o'clock (Sundays excepted).

The hospital building will accommodate 53 patients.

St. Mary's Hospital is on Frankford Road above Palmer. Established 1866. It has 70 beds. Open for recent accidents. No contagious or mental diseases received.

Reached by the 5th Street cars.

The Howard Hospital is at 1518 Lombard Street. A corps of ten physicians and surgeons, with a resident physician, are in attendance at stated hours.

The distinctive feature of the charity is that each physician confines his attention to a specific class of affections. So far as known, this was the first successful effort of the kind in the country.

The Charity Hospital of Philadelphia, 1832 Hamilton Street. Daily clinics are held at the hospital from 12 M. to 1 P. M., when advice and medicine are given gratuitously to the worthy poor.

The Philadelphia Dispensary, Fifth Street below Chestnut. Its limits are from the Delaware to the Schuylkill, and from Vine to South Streets.

Obstetric Department of the Philadelphia Dispensary, 15 North Thirteenth Street. Clinics daily, from 11 to 12 o'clock noon.

Eye and Ear Institute of Philadelphia Dispensary, N. E. cor. of 13th and Chestnut Streets. Clinics daily, at 12 M. and 6 P. M.

The Philadelphia Lying-in Charity and Nurse Society, 126 North 11th Street. Its objects are the training of nurses and the assistance of poor and deserving women in child-bed. Medical aid is also afforded to women suffering from diseases peculiar to their sex.

The Northern Dispensary, 608 Fairmount Avenue. Its benefits are extended mainly to persons residing north of Vine Street.

The Southern Dispensary, 318 Bainbridge Street. Its benefits are intended for those residing south of South Street and in the eastern section of the city.

The Gynæcological Hospital and Infirmary for Diseases of Children, 1624 Poplar Street.

The Church Dispensary of Southwark, 1317 South 9th Street, has been established to afford medical assistance to the sick poor living in the southern part of Philadelphia.

Dispensary for Skin Diseases, 216 South 11th. For the gratuitous relief of the sick poor afflicted with diseases of the skin.

Philadelphia Infirmary for Diseases of the Ear, 43 South 17th Street. For gratuitous medical and surgical treatment of indigent persons afflicted with diseases of the ear.

The Philadelphia Society for the Employment and Instruction of the Poor, Catharine above 7th.

The Dispensary connected with this Institution, which is perhaps more commonly known as the "Moyamensing House of Industry," is very active. It is intended especially for the relief of the worthy poor living on the south side of South Street, and in the district below this line.

Lodging is furnished to such as apply for it. It is part of the plan to receive persons discharged from the Moyamensing Prison, thus allowing them a little time to examine and decide upon the course of their future lives before encountering the suspicion and sometimes the unnecessarily harsh treatment of the world.

Girard College for Orphans, on Girard and Ridge Avenues. This institution is solely intended for the reception and education of male orphans. Founded by Stephen Girard.

Reached by cars of Ridge Avenue, Girard Avenue, and 19th Street Railways.

The Philadelphia Orphan Society, Haddington, Merion Avenue, near Haverford Street.

Accommodates about one hundred children, who must

be the orphans of married parents, the boys under six, and the girls under eight years of age. They will be kept in the asylum until they are twelve years old, when they must be indentured to responsible guardians.

Christ Church Hospital is merely a church home on Belmont Avenue, near the Park; will accommodate one hundred inmates, "poor or distressed women of the communion" of the Episcopal Church.

Foster Home Association, 24th and Poplar Streets.

The object of this institution is to provide, "for the children of virtuous and industrious individuals, who by the death of one parent, or adverse circumstances, are deprived of support under the parental roof, a Home, where such children shall be received at a moderate compensation, provided with wholesome nourishment, comfortably clad, attended in sickness, taught the rudiments of an English education, have their moral characters carefully formed, and habits of regularity and industry established, which will qualify them to be useful members of society."

Southern Home for Destitute Children, 12th and Fitz-water Streets.

To "afford a home, food, clothing, and schooling for destitute orphan children, and for such poor children as may be neglected or deserted by their parents." Such are received under twelve years of age, and are retained in the "Home" until suitable permanent homes are provided for them, when they are indentured until they arrive at the age of eighteen years.

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Boarding Home for Little Children, 1112 Fitzwater Street. Children are received as boarders at low rates, to enable their parents to go out to daily labor, and have their children cared for in their absence.

The Northern Home for Friendless Children, Brown Street, from 22d to 23d Street.

Its object is to educate and provide for friendless and destitute children from 3 to 12 years of age. No charge is made.

Reached by Union line of cars.

Presbyterian Home for Widows and Single Women, 58th and Darby Road.

The object is to provide a home for aged and infirm members of the Presbyterian Church, in all its branches, residing in the State of Pennsylvania.

Reached by Darby cars.

Indigent Widows' and Single Women's Society, Cherry, below 18th. Its object is shown by its name; has 81 inmates.

- St. John's Male Orphan Asylum, Westminster Ave., near 49th Street, West Philadelphia.
 - St. Joseph's Female Orphan Asylum, 700 Spruce St.
 - St. Vincent's Home, 18th and Wood Streets.

Catholic Home for Destitute Orphan Girls, 1720 Race Street.

The Association for Care of Colored Orphans, 44th Street and Hayerford Ave.

Church Home for Children, Angora, Balt. Ave. and Gray's Lane, West Chester R. R.

St. Ann's Widow's Asylum, 2d Street below Christian.

Magdalen Society, 21st and Race Streets. The object is to reclaim fallen women, and to fit them for useful positions in life.

The Midnight Mission, 919 Locust Street, for reclaiming women from a life of prostitution.

Rosine Association of Philadelphia, 3216 Germantown Avenue. To secure from vice and degradation a class of women who have forfeited their claims to the respect of the virtuous.

House of the Good Shepherd, 22d and Walnut Streets.

A retreat for unfortunate females who wish to reform.

The Howard Institution, 1612 Poplar Street, is for the reformation of discharged female prisoners.

The Lincoln Institution, 308 South 11th Street.

"Its object is to provide a home for the care and training of white boys and youths, and for the orphan sons of white soldiers and sailors of the United States." (Constitution, Art. 1.)

Educational Home for Boys, 49th and Greenway Avenue; acts in connection with the above, and for the care

and education of orphans and destitute white boys from two years old and upward.

Day-Nursery for Children, No. 410 Blight Street, between Pine and Lombard, below Broad.

Its object is to receive and care for, during the day, the young children of poor, industrious working women, whose employment calls them from their homes, and who would otherwise be obliged to leave their children entirely without protection, and subject to the perils of fire and accident.

A payment of 6 cents a day is required from the mother of each child.

Penna. Institution for Deaf and Dumb, Pine to Asylum Streets, Broad to 15th Streets.

Penna. Institution for the Instruction of the Blind, Race Street, 20th to 21st Streets.

Penna. Working Home for Blind Men, 3518 Lancaster Avenue. This is for affording employment to blind mechanics and workingmen. It proposes to supply these men with material to be manufactured in the workshop of the Home, and sold as in any regular business.

Penna. Industrial Home for Blind Women, 3921 Locust Street.

Industrial Home for Girls, 762 South 10th. To afford a home for poor girls, orphans, or half orphans, over the age of ten, as may be brought by parents, etc., and educate them until proper homes may be found them. Home for the Homeless, 708 Lombard Street.

An institution providing a temporary refuge for homeless females, irrespective "of race, color, or creed;" a free and open shelter for all classes of wretchedness and want.

Also furnishing invalid meals for the sick poor who are unable to procure suitable articles for sick diet, or to properly cook it if furnished to them.

Temporary Home for Women and Children, 505 N. 6th Street, is a cheap boarding house, where the poor may be accommodated comfortably at as low prices as they now pay for the poor fare and unwholesome lodgings they are compelled to accept, and where they will be instructed in order and cleanliness, and, as far as the means of the Association will permit, in cooking and general housewifery.

Penn Asylum of Philadelphia for Indigent Widows and Single Women, Belgrade above Otis Streets.

Franklin Reformatory Home for Inebriates, 915 Locust Street.

The object of this Home is the thorough and permanent reformation of inebriates. There are alike combined in this institution church privileges and home comforts; all that can be effected by the best medical treatment, careful nursing, and motherly affection, is here assured to fallen man; in fact, nothing is left undone that can be devised to rescue and permanently save the inebriate from destruction.

Western Provident Society and Children's Home, 41st and Venango Streets.

To provide for poor white children under 12 years of age, surrendered to it by the father, or, in case of his death, by

the mother, or committed to its eare by the mayor, or some court, for vagrancy, or owing to neglect of the parents.

It also assists poor parents, supporting themselves, by boarding and lodging their children temporarily.

Methodist Episcopal Home, 13th and Lehigh Avenue. To provide for the aged and infirm members of the M. E. Church a comfortable home, with clothing, employment, etc.

Baptist Home, 17th and Norris Streets. A Home for the aged and infirm members of the Baptist Church.

Home for Aged and Infirm Colored Persons, S. W. cor. Girard and Belgrade Avenues.

For the relief of that worthy class of colored persons who have endeavored through life to maintain themselves, but for various causes are finally dependent on the charity of others.

Union Temporary Home for Children, N. E. corner Poplar and 16th Streets. To provide, for a limited time, a home for the children of the poor. When able, parents or guardians are required to pay a small weekly charge toward the maintenance of their children while at the Home.

Philadelphia Home for Infants, 45th from Chestnut to Market Streets. Incorporated Dec. 1, 1873. Its object is to provide a home for infant children who may, by reason of any cause, be placed there for protection, and to provide for their care and sustenance.

When parents or guardians are able, they are expected

to pay a certain amount each week for board of such children so long as they remain in the institution.

Orphans' Home and Asylum for the Aged and Infirm of the Evangelical Lutheran Church, 5582 Germantown Avenue.

The objects are fully indicated by the name.

Hospital of the Good Shepherd for Children, Radnor, Delaware Co., Pa., near Rosemont Station, Pennsylvania Railroad.

The object is to provide a home and medical treatment for invalid children of the Diocese of Pennsylvania (embracing Philadelphia, Delaware, Chester, Montgomery and Bucks Counties), without regard to creed or country.

In connection with this plan it is designed that ladies who desire to devote a portion of their time to the care of the sick may have the opportunity, and at the same time acquire a knowledge of the requisites of good nursing and of the preparation of food for the sick, under the training of a person of experience.

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Eastern Penitentiary, on Fairmount Avenue, from Corinthian Avenue to 22d Street. Reached by the Fairmount Avenue Railway cars. Tickets of admission can be procured at the office of the Public Ledger, 6th and Chestnut Streets.

Philadelphia County Prison, familiarly known as Moyamensing Prison, is on Passyunk Avenue below Reed Street. Reached by the 10th Street Railway cars. Tickets of admission can be obtained at the Public Ledger Office, or of the Mayor at his office, S. W. corner 5th and Chestnut Streets.

The House of Refuge is at 22d and 23d, and Poplar and Parrish Streets. Reached by the Union Railway cars. Poplar Street branch. Tickets may be had at the Public Ledger Office.

The House of Correction is on Pennypack Creek near Holmesburg. Reached by the Pennsylvania Railroad. Tickets can be obtained of the managers.

The Morgue, for the reception of dead bodies of unknown persons, is on Noble Street between Front Street and Delaware Avenue. Reached by the Callowhill Street Railway.

The Lazaretto is on Tinicum Island, about twelve miles south of Philadelphia. Here vessels are detained for inspection and sanitary measures, if necessary, during the quarantine season, from June 1st to October 1st. Reached by the Philadelphia and Chester Branch of the Reading Railroad. Permits can be obtained at the Health Office.

Historical Society of Pennsylvania, Spruce Street between 8th and 9th, on grounds of Pennsylvania Hospital. Here will be found a very interesting collection of object connected with the early history of Pennsylvania. Admission free.

SCIENTIFIC INSTITUTIONS.

The Academy of Natural Sciences is located at 19th and Race Streets. The building is only partially completed. The immense collection of natural objects will repay a visit.

The Wagner Free Institute of Science is at 17th and Montgomery Avenue. It contains a valuable library, philosophical apparatus, and a large collection of minerals, fossils, etc. Free lectures are given every winter in a regular course by a corps of lecturers. Reached by the 16th Street Railway. Admission by the cards of membership of those attending the meetings of the Association.

MEDICAL LIBRARIES.

In addition to the College Libraries, those especially medical are the Library of the Pennsylvania Hospital on 8th Street between Spruce and Pine, which contains 14,000 volumes.

The Library of the College of Physicians, containing about 20,000 volumes.

MISCELLANEOUS LIBRARIES.

The most complete collection of works in general literature is that of the Philadelphia Library, situated on 5th Street south of Chestnut. This contains about 110,000

volumes, among which may be found a large number of rare old medical books.

Visitors are admitted from 9 A. M. to sunset. Any one is permitted to read here at any time, but, unless to a stock-holder, no books are issued without the previous payment of a deposit as security for the safe return of the book.

The Athenæum is on 6th Street corner of Adelphi, which is south of Walnut. This contains 4000 volumes, but is only accessible to stockholders or subscribers.

The Mercantile Library is on 10th Street north of Chestnut. It contains 125,000 volumes. It is open from 9 A.M. to 10 P.M. It has also a newspaper and chess room. Almost every periodical may be found on its files.

The Ridgway Library is in process of erection on Broad Street between Carpenter and Christian Sts.

The Medical Service of the Centennial Exhibition is under the charge of Dr. Wm. Peper, Medical Director. assisted by a corps of aids, one of whom is constantly on duty. A small hospital containing eight beds has been provided. Of course this is only intended as a temporary accommodation for sudden cases of illness, accidents, etc.

This building is located in Lansdowne Ravine.

The Medical Book Stores are those of-

Henry C. Lea, 708 Sansom Street, which is between Chestnut and Walnut.

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The Obstetrical Journal of Great Britain and Ireland;—At H. C. Lea's, 708 Sansom Street.

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The Philadelphia Medical Times, at Lippincott's, 719 Market Street.

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The Port Physician is Dr. Philip Leidy.

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Its Superintendent is Robert A. Given, M.D.

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Its Superintendent is Isaac N. Kerlin, M.D. Its name fully indicates its purposes.

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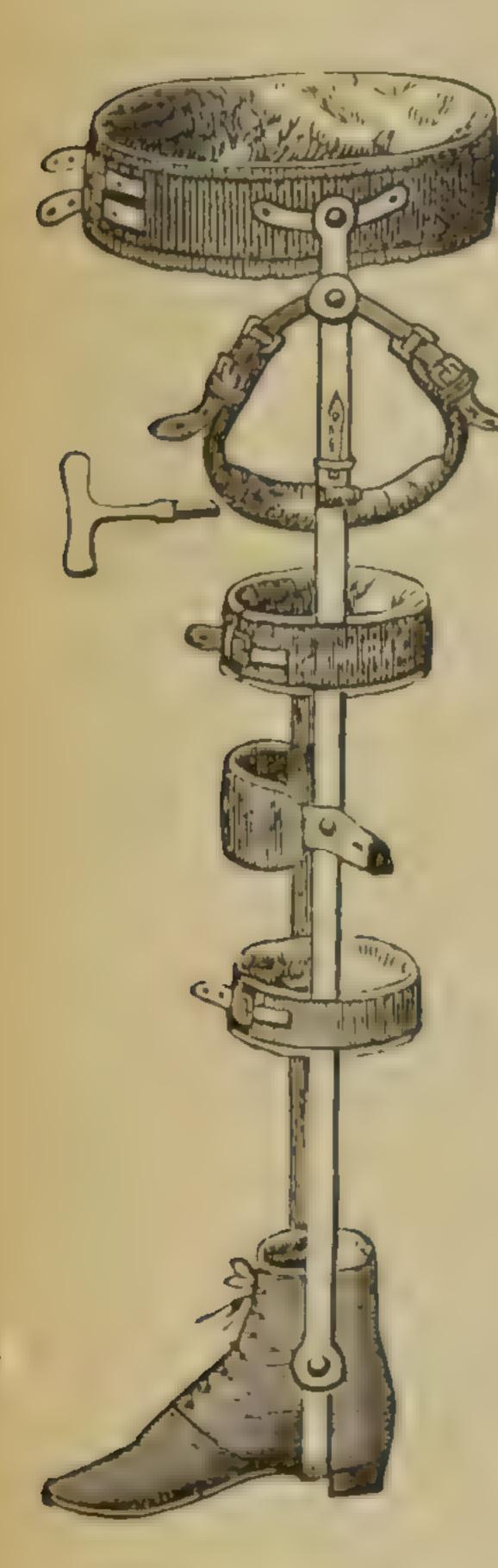
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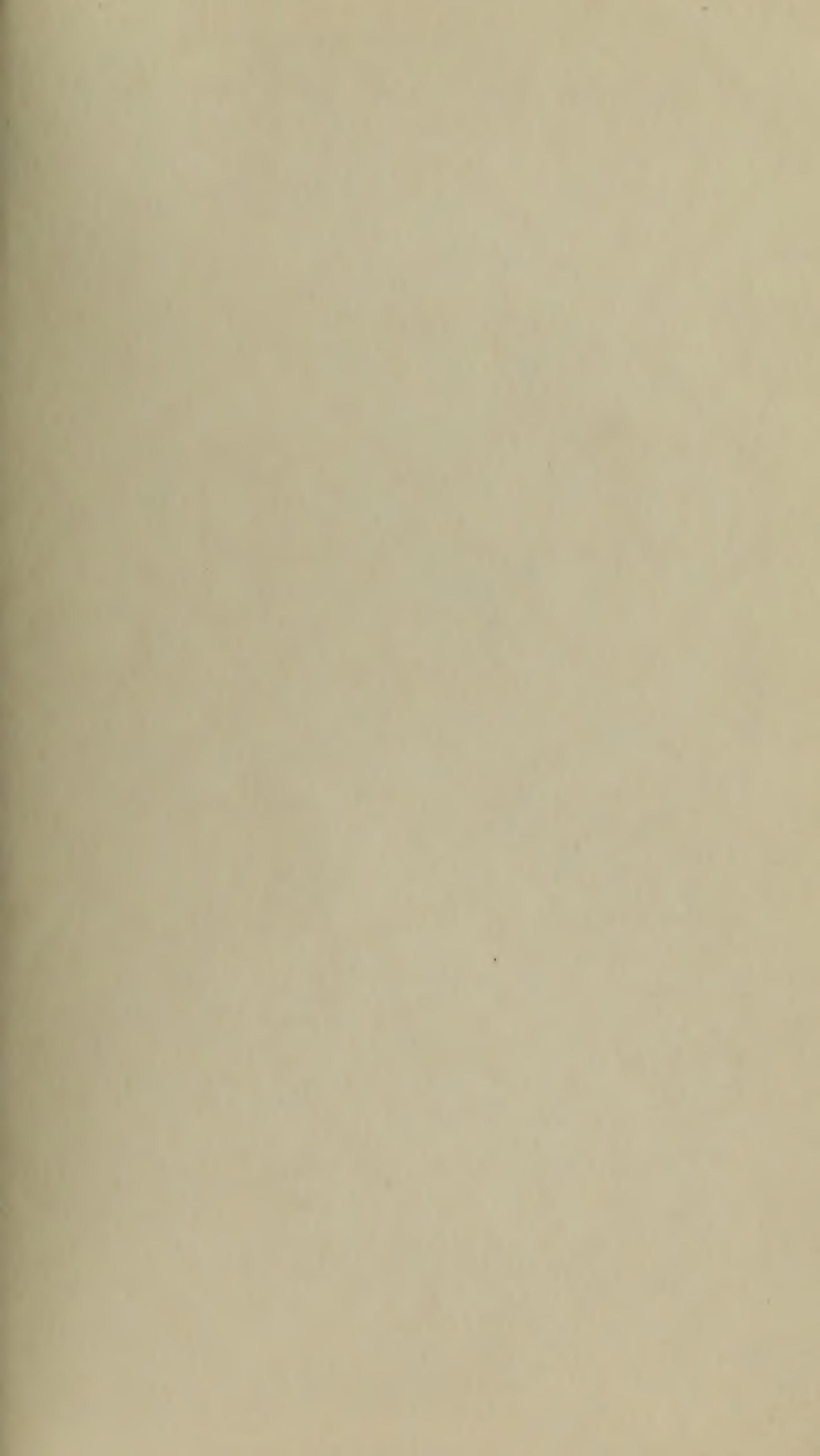
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